

HONGKONG & CHINA MAIL



No. 3922

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1894.

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THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital..... \$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital..... \$500,000

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Chief Manager,
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Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 2nd October, 1894.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

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CAPITAL PAID-UP..... \$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS..... \$800,000

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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months..... 5 per cent.

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A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong,
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL..... \$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED..... \$1,185,000
PAID-UP..... \$605,500

BANKERS:
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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of a per cent.
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For 12 Months..... 5 per cent.

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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong,
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..... \$3,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP..... \$21,000,000

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

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BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
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RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
of Application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1894.

INSURANCES.

SOUTH, BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on
favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Office.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1894.

GENERAL NOTICE

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000} \$83,333.33-

EQUAL TO..... \$318,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YUEN MOON, Esq.
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MANAGER—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATE to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1894.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

Notices of Firms.

BUSINESS NOTICE!

WE have this Day OPENED A BRANCH
of our Firm in HONGKONG.

JULIUS MANEICH & Co.

Amoy & Taiwan (Formosa),
1st December, 1894.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a
PARADE to be held on the CRICKET
GROUND TO-MORROW, the 5th instant, at
11 A.M., His Excellency the GOVERNOR will
CONVEY to THE MILITARY the THANKS of
the COMMUNITY for their Services during the
recent PLAGUE EPIDEMIC

EDW. J. ACKROYD,
Chairman,
Hongkong, 4th December, 1894.

SHAMEN HOTEL AND LAND
COMPANY, LIMITED.

A N EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS
in the above COMPANY will be held on THURSDAY,
the 6th day of December proximo, at
Half past Four in the AFTERNOON, at the
CHAMBERS of the Undersigned in BANK BUILDINGS
for the purpose of Receiving the Report of
the Directors and of Deciding as to the future of
the Company.

A. DENISON,
Director,

SHAMEN HOTEL AND LAND
COMPANY, LIMITED.

Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, 28th November, 1894.

THE PHARMACY.

"TANSAN" "TANSAN"
THE NEW JAPANESE TABLE WATER.
Recommended by leading Medical Men in
Hongkong and China.

Analytical report by ARTHUR HILL HASSALL,
M.D., and EDWIG GODWIN CLAYTON, F.I.C.S.,
London, shows that it contains 8 per
cent. more Iron Carbonate than any water from
similar Seas.

"TANSAN" "TANSAN" "TANSAN"
Sole Agents for Hongkong and South China.

FLETCHER & Co.,
The Pharmacy,
21, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1894.

"DERMATOL."

MANUFACTURED by FABRWERKE,
HOCHST a/M; Its effect in stimulating
the closing up of WOUNDS, and in Internal
administration against diarrhoea, is described as
amazing.

D. R. KNORR'S
LION BRAND

ANTIPYRINE.

(DOSES FOR ADULTS 15 to 35 GRAINS TROY.)
Is the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,
NEURALGIA, RHUMATISM, FEVER,
TYPHUS, INFILUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSIPELAS,
HOOPING COUGH, and many other
complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic.
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.
Ask for DR. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each
Tin bears the inventor's signature "DR.
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To be had at every reputed Chemist and
Druggist.
Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export Import and Bank Comptagile.

Beware of spurious imitations.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1894.

TO SHIPMASTERS.

CAPTAIN F. H. PLUMMER,
(LATE OF THE PATAGONIAN NAVY).
THE OLDEST STEVEDORE IN
MANILA.

STEVEDORE AND CONTRACTOR.

COALS and all kinds of STORES
SUPPLIED on the shortest notice and
on the most reasonable terms.

Manila, 5th October, 1894.

TO SHIPMASTERS.

STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to SUPPLY
on shortest notice any quantity of PURE
FRESH FILTERED WATER for both DECK
and BOILERS.

The only Company in Hongkong exclusively
Supplying FILTERED WATER.
Despatch Guaranteed. Call Figs. "W."
J. W. KEW & Co.,
18, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1894.

PRIVATE BOARD
AND
RESIDENCE.

12, GLENALY BUILDINGS.

Mrs. GILLANDERS.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1894.

FLOUR.

IF YOU WANT GOOD BREAD!
USE



Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH, LTD.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM
MR. J. SALTER AND MESSRS. SLAZENGER,

A NEW STOCK OF THEIR FAMOUS MAKES OF

TENNIS BATS,

IN A VARIETY OF WEIGHTS AND SHAPES.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1894.

Masonic.

VICTORIA LODGE
OF HONGKONG, No. 1026.

A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 7th
instant, at 8.30 for o p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1894.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"

Captain Hodges, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 5th instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1894.

"STRATH" LINE OF STEAMERS,

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"STRATHDEE,"

Captain Forsyth, will be despatched for the
above Port on THURSDAY, the 6th December,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1894.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLAMORGANSHIRE,"

Captain Vyvyan, will be despatched for the
above Port on or about THURSDAY, the 6th
December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 16th November, 1894.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN
GOVERNMENT.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1894.

Intimations.

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HAVE JUST RECEIVED
A CONSIGNMENT OF

ILFORD DRY
PLATES,

£. s. d.
10/8, 12/10,
and are offering the same at popular prices.

SENSITIZED ALBUMINIZED
PAPER,
&c., &c.

CHAP AND RELIABLE.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO., LTD.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1894.

THE
HONGKONG
DISPENSARY

Has received by the S.S. Sydney and from
other sources the very latest Novelties

CHRISTMAS CARDS
AND
NEW YEAR CARDS.

Comprising:-

JAPANESE and ENGLISH CARDS, hand-painted and of Artistic Designs; JAPANESE VIEWS, VIEWS OF HONGKONG and TYPES of NATIVE CHARACTER;

Also,

FURTHER SUPPLIES
Ex S.S. Bombay and Canton of
WHOLESMORE CONFECTIONERY
AND

DELICIOUS SWEETS.

These Shipments include:-

CADBURY'S SPECIAL CREAMES,
PATE D'APRICOTS, JORDAN ALMONDS,
CARAMELS, PRALINES,
CHOCOLATE, OYSTERS,
DESSERT CHOCOLATE,

BUTTER SCOTCH, ALMOND ROCK,
EVERTON TOFFEE, ASSORTED TOFFEE
FRYS' CHOCOLATES,
MIXED BONBONS, NOUGAT,

TANGERINE, BISBURTS,
ORANGE PASTE BOYS,
&c., &c., &c.,

together with

FANCY BOXES,
which are very suitable for Seasonable Presents
for LADIES and CHILDREN.

AND

FRENCH CONFECTIONERY
AND
CONSERVES,

from the very best Parisian Houses including:-
FRUIT JELLIES, PARISIENS,
CRYSTALLISED APRICOTS, CHERRIES,
GREENAGES, &c.,
large Assortment.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 17th November, 1894.

BIRTH.

At Newchwang, on the 1st November, the wife of T. L. BRANDER, M.B.C.M., Irish Presbyterian Mission, Jin-wei, of a daughter.

DEATH.

On the 27th of November, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., at No. 11, Bonn Road, Hongkong, Shangha, of consuntion, MAN KWAI, aged 28, the beloved wife of Spencer TENG-LAISUN.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1894.

GREAT FIRE AT WHAMPOA.

TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF THE TOWN.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.)

CANTON, 4th December.

Bamboo town and New town, Whampoa, were almost totally destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. At Canton, between 2 and 3 o'clock, a bright glare was observed in the sky in the direction of Whampoa, and when the steamer *Kaitan* arrived she reported that a terrible conflagration was raging at the port.

When the steamship *Hawam* passed Whampoa this morning, all that was to be seen of the old town were the tops of the piles on which the wooden shanties had been built, and the brick walls of the houses on shore. The roofs and everything else had disappeared.

No reliable particulars are yet available, but there cannot be any doubt that the loss of life has been great, owing to the inflammable nature of the materials of which the houses were constructed.

A large fleet of houseboats and sampans were lying near the stumps of the piles, in which no doubt numbers of the homeless people had found temporary shelter.

Whampoa's 'new town' was built on the island opposite the torpedo station, 'bamboo town' occupying the water frontage.

A special representative of the *Hongkong Telegraph* left for Whampoa this evening to obtain full particulars of this latest Chinese disaster.

TELEGRAMS.

JAPAN'S TERMS OF PEACE.

LONDON, December 3rd.

It is stated in Yokohama that if the war can be brought to a conclusion now, Japan will accept an indemnity of 100,000,000 yen and the cession of the territories occupied by her troops; otherwise her demands will be far larger.

No armistice will be granted unless China gives for peace and gives up Peking or some other pledges of her bond fides.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND AND JAPAN.

President Cleveland in his Message prays the progress of Japan, and urges her laudable desire to complete domestic economy and to attain full equality in the family of nations.

(Special to *Siam Observer*)

ST. PETERSBURG, November 20th.

The marriage of the Emperor has been postponed to Monday, Friday, upon which the wedding was to have taken place being regarded as an unlucky day.

LONDON, November 20th.

The Germans have captured the capital of the Washiris, a tribe in German East Africa, after a stubborn fight, in which they lost 40 men killed and wounded.

MILITARY HONOURS.

November 21st.

The Queen presented General Sir Donald Stewart and Lord Walesey with Field Marshal's batons at Windsor to-day.

THE EARTHQUAKES IN ITALY.

ROME, November 20th.

The earthquake shocks continue unabated violence in the north-east of Sicily, being especially felt in the vicinity of Milazzo.

THE FIGHTING IN LOMBOK.

LA HAGUE, November 21st.

The Dutch troops have captured the Balinese positions at Tjikra, Negara. During the fighting a powder magazine was accidentally blown up, injuring two officers and nineteen men. The whole of the Rajah's treasure has fallen into the Dutch hands.

DEATH OF A GREAT COMPOSER.

LOND N, November 21st.

Anton Rubinstein, the great Russian pianist and composer, is dead.

A NEW POLITICIAN.

Moulvi Rafiuddin Ahmad, who is to be put forward at the next General Election as a Unionist candidate, by way of a set-off to Dadabhai Naoroji, was entertained at the Junior Constitution Club last night, the Right Hon. Sir John E. Gorst presiding.

FRANCE AND MADAGASCAR.

PARIS, November 22nd.

The French Government has decided to form three special battalions of riflemen for service in Madagascar. The report of the Committee of the Chamber of Deputies appointed to examine into the special credits asked for by the Government, recommends that France should declare a protectorate in the widest sense of the word short of actual annexation.

THE CRICKETERS IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, November 22nd.

The match between Stoddart's English team and the Victorian eleven has resulted in the English winning by 145 runs.

CRICKETING IN LOMBOK.

LA HAGUE, November 21st.

The Raja of Lombok, with his son and grandson, has surrendered to the Dutch authorities. His reply is unknown.

RUSSIA WIDE AWAKE.

LONDON, November 21st.

It is stated in Odessa that two transports filled with troops have been suddenly ordered to Vladivostok.

THE BARING LIQUIDATION.

PARIS, November 22nd.

The remaining assets of Baring Bros. Limited, have been withdrawn from the Bank of England. The guarantors of the liquidation have thus been finally released from all further responsibility.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Special to *Shanghai Mercury*)

YOKOHAMA, November 28th.

On the 20th, previous to the storming of Port Arthur, the Japanese got one hundred seige and field guns into skilfully chosen positions from which they rained shot and shell into the Chinese entrenched positions, which accounts for the success of the first instant.

The above telegram is from an official despatch from Feld Marshal Oyama.

A telegram has been received from Chihien, dated the 26th instant, from the principal surgeon to the Director-General of the Hospital at Hiroshima, in which he reports that a severe engagement took place at Tsokow, near Mottingen, when the Kirin troops endeavoured to break through the Japanese right flank, but they did not succeed, and were repulsed by the Japanese. The Japanese loss is forty-eight killed and wounded. General Yamagata's report has not yet been received.

General Oyama, at Port Arthur, has been advised, by telegram, from Headquarters, to release Mr. Hart, who was employed by Reuter's Telegraph Agency to collect news, and was a prisoner at Port Arthur, on suspicion of being connected with the Chinese.

At the Supreme Court this morning Mr. Sydenham Montagu, of Shanghai, lately carrying on the business of music and musical instrument dealers under the firm and style of Montagu, Robinson & Company in co-partnership with Mr. W. Robinson, of Hongkong, sued Edward McCabe for \$100,35, balance due and interest at 8 per cent per annum from the 14th February, 1864, on each advancement for the defendant by Mr. Victor Beaconsfield for the defendant. From the evidence led it appeared that Mr. McCabe, who was employed by the firm in 1860, had recently left, and his employees now wished a final settlement with him. The hearing occupied the greater part of the day, and stands adjourned till Friday.

There was again a large attendance at Hart's Circus last night, when the new and elaborate programme prepared for the occasion was gone through without a hitch of any kind. The whole performance, which included several startling novelties, was a grand success, and it will be repeated to-night, those who were not present last night shot "not lose the opportunity of witnessing one of the best shows ever seen in Hongkong. We would also draw our readers' attention to the interesting fact that Mr. Robert Love, the popular manager, takes a benefit on Friday night, when a high-class programme will be produced. A special item will be the "diver and amateur" act which will be popular in this society some years ago. Mr. Love, who is a brilliant dancer, and the *Tragedy*, horse he will get.

The details about the battle of Port Arthur are now commencing to arrive. The Chinese are reported to be about 2,000. The greater part of these were killed during the cannonading on the 20th, but the excess of slaughter (although excusable) in consequence of the mutilation and torture of the Japanese prisoners is absolutely denied by the Japanese during the attack on Port Arthur.

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total (350) of Japanese killed, over 200 fell in taking the fort on this side. The troops, other than the gunners, fired not a shot, and the whole place was left intact; and the Japanese now find themselves, with a trifling loss of men, in possession of a splendidly fortified arsenal, with large supplies of ammunition and food.

There is, however, an ugly side to this picture of conquest. On the march from Ts-ien-wan the Japanese found one of their officers and eleven men horribly mutilated; this induced the General in command to give the order, "No quarter!" The consequence is that some two thousand people (but few soldiers amongst them) have been killed and mutilated, and some of the sights seen by visitors are too revolting to narrate. That the Japanese were given great provocation is true, but the cruel murder and mutilation of innocent women and children is unpardonable and a disgrace to the army and its commander. Fogtives (&c. in the place are being cut off, and the men-of-war are on the lookout for those using junks as a means of escape.

THE "MOUNT LEBANON" ASHORE.

THE British steamer *Mount Lebanon*, from Rangoon to Kobe and Yokohama with a cargo of rice, went ashore on one of the new forts at the entrance to Yokohama Bay early on the morning of the 2nd ulto, owing to the entire absence of lights. After discharging 500 tons of rice the vessel floated off the following day.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE EARTHQUAKES IN ITALY.

ROME, November 20th.

The marriage of the Emperor has been postponed to Monday, Friday, upon which the wedding was to have taken place being regarded as an unlucky day.

THE "TATA" LINE STEAMSHIP "LINDENSTORF" LEFT SHANGHAI YESTERDAY EVENING FOR THIS PORT.

As all fair of trouble in Peking has vanished, it is stated that Mrs. O'Connor and Mrs. Jordan are returning to the British Legation.

It is stated on authority that the highly civilised Japanese rammed with their warships helpless junks, crowded with refugees from Port Arthur.

The Japanese warships have intimated their intention of taking Wei-hai-wei early in December.

How considerate of the Japs to let the world know it!

THE GERMAN GUNBOAT "JILT." CAPT. INGENHOSH, LEFT SHANGHAI FOR KOW-LIN ON THE 20TH ULTO.

THE Japanese gunboat *Jilt*, Capt. Inghenhosh, left Shanghai for Kow-lin on the 20th ulto, where she will be stationed till about China New Year.

THE HIGHEST OFFER FOR THE BRITISH SHIP "DRUMELLYAN."

NOT ON AN AUCTION AT NAGASAKI ON NOVEMBER 24TH, BEING \$24,000, THE SHIP WAS NOT SOLD. THE LIMIT WAS \$25,000.

THE WINGLOK STREET OUTRAGE.

MEDICAL TESTIMONY.

The hearing of this case was resumed before

Mr. Weddhouse at the Police Court this morning.

James Alfred Lowson, Acting Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, gave evidence concerning the death of Police constable Ahmed Singh and an unknown Chinaman. He said that on November 22nd at 8.15 p.m. constable 575 was handed over to his care by P.C. No. 46. He was suffering from bullet wounds in the chest and right arm. The bullet in the arm was extracted the same night, the one in the chest on Sunday the 25th. The latter had entered one inch and a quarter from the middle line of the body on the left side, in a line between the two nipples. The man died on the 26th.

AN EXTRA TAX OF 50 CASH ON EVERY THOUSAND CASH WORTH OF FISH BROUGHT INTO SHANGHAI FOR SALE HAS BEEN LEVIED BY THE NATIVE AUTHORITIES.

A MEETING of the Legislative Council will be held on Thursday, the 6th instant, at 3.30 p.m.

THE STEAMSHIP "PRONTS," WHICH ARRIVED AT SHANGHAI ON THE 27TH ULTO, REPORTED HAVING KILLED TWENTY-THREE CHINESE MEN-OF-WAR OUTSIDE SADDLE ISLAND.

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of these ships for very near, none hit any of the Japanese war-vessels, and no reply was made by them. The torpedo-boats were active in preventing the egress of any Chinese vessels from the harbour. A steam launch tried to get away but was discovered and her retreat to the harbour cut off so that the Chinese who were in her ran her ashore right under the battery, but the Japanese torpedo-boats quickly ran up under the battery guns and blew up the launch, escaping uninhibition owing to the wild firing of the Chinese gunners. Towards evening the Chinese generally had fighting enough for they were seen to steam out of the various forts by hundreds and file along the road that led to T'ien-wan, so that the Japanese had possession of the most heavily armed fort without any opposition at all; and by dusk were in complete possession of the fort, dockyard, and harbour. The Chinese fled towards T'ien-wan pursued by the Japanese, whose cavalry, artillery, and infantry worked havoc with the panic-stricken mob, and in the confusion of this retreat no doubt many non-combatants were slain. The flying Chinese troops were making their way towards Nanchwang, and when passing T'ien-wan were attacked by the Japanese garrison there, and though many were killed, many more were successful in breaking through the opposition they met with, and are perhaps now in full flight across Manchuria.

On the 22nd all was quiet, and the Japanese were busily engaged in overhauling the enormous quantities of war material of all descriptions which they had acquired with comparative ease, and when the fortress was visited by foreigners three days afterwards, everything was found to be in such order that it appeared as if Port Arthur had been a Japanese fortress and naval dock-yard for years. It is highly creditable to the Japanese that they spoke of their astounding success with quiet dignity, and that no bragging oration was shown, though their well-organized attack and splendid victory would have fully justified such glorification.

The officers of H.M.S. *Porpoise*, which vessel arrived at Shanghai from Chefoo on the afternoon of November 30th, gave some interesting details of the attack on Port Arthur to representatives of the *Mercury*, from which we extract the following:

Concerning the attack on shore by the Japanese, the officers of the *Porpoise* saw little. They walked over the place the next day, (November 2nd), and from what they learnt from the Japanese accounts, and the evidence before them, they arrived at the conclusion that the Japanese army advanced on the trenches with due caution; and with rapidity. At the first there must have been a stampede among the Chinese to escape to the hills. The natural defences on the land side of Port Arthur were all in favour of the Chinese, and everything that an enterprising General could require. The ridge of hills appeared to have been defended by admirably situated shelter trenches, and wherever the ground seemed suitable, the Chinese had mounted excellent Krupp field-guns. In spite of this admirable position the Chinese it would appear did not make any stand whatever. All along the trenches were cases of cartridges, the majority of which were hardly breached. From these trenches to the inner fort the ground was scattered over with unopened boxes of ammunition, clothes, and all kinds of arms, and this spectacle was everywhere to be seen within the Chinese lines.

There is no doubt that the Chinese ran away as soon as the Japanese advanced. The confusion of everything testifies to that. The Japanese were perfectly confident in taking it. They did not really attack the place on Tuesday. They did not really attack the place on Tuesday. They did not really attack the place on Tuesday. They did not really attack the place on Tuesday. Some of the guns were dismounted weapons, both in size and manufacture.

The Japanese declared that the Chinese made no stand, but fled before their advance. Count Ito told the British officers that the Japanese lost 60 in the capture of the fort. Of those who were killed, the Japanese stated that not one man was killed in hand-to-hand fighting, but by a rifle shot, but all by the shells, and shot from the hills.

The officers of the *Porpoise* saw four Chinese women lying dead in a trench. They had evidently been outraged, and their heads had been battered in. Some of the rear ranks of the Chinese soldiers were maimed, and many had received what appeared to be unnecessary wounds. But the British officers didn't witness any outrages by the Japanese. The day after the place was taken the town was most quiet, and a most perfect and orderly state of discipline was maintained among the Japanese troops. The Japanese authorities employed Chinese coolies, who were busy buying their own bread. On Sunday last the Japanese cavalry were seen attacking detached bands of Chinese soldiers who had taken refuge among the hills and rocks, and the Japanese believed most of the Chinese soldiers were hidden amidst the fatigues.

Court Ito told one of the British officers that the Japanese army that captured the fort consisted of about 15,000 men. The *Porpoise* officers said there could have been nothing like 20,000 Chinese soldiers within Port Arthur. At the outside, judging from what they saw and the size of the fort, they did not believe the Chinese garrison amounted to more than 6,000 men.

PASSENGERS BOOKED FOR THE FAR EAST.

Per P. and O. steamer *Himalaya*, from London, November 9th.—To Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. Maiden and child. To Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Molland and three children, Miss L. E. Ramsey, Captain Dunlop. To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Parlane, Miss and Master Parlane, Mrs. Vernon, Mrs. and Miss Kyle, Miss H. A. Corseille, Mr. A. Scott, Miss L. E. Ramsey, Surgeon B. F. Parish, R.N. To S. I.: Capt. Miss Lowdowes, Lady Hartfield, Capt. Mr. J. Riches, Mr. B. F. Frost. To Penang: Mr. Freeman, From Bridgford, November 18th.—To Yokohama: Count C. Lerch Lerschenburg, Baron V. Lerch, Baron G. Wedelborg. To Hongkong: Mr. G. Stewart, Mr. A. Major. To Penang: Sir Charles Hartley.

Per P. and O. steamer *Suffolk*, from London, Nov. 15.—To Yokohama: Mr. Vosey, Mr. L. Midwood. To Hongkong: Mr. J. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fife, Mr. and Mrs. Fodder and three children, Mr. R. Brough, Miss Margaret Park. From Ismailia.—To Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. Weed.

Per P. and O. steamer *Arcturus*, from London, December 7th.—To Yokohama: Mr. Gerald Llewellyn, Miss Gerald Llewellyn. To Shanghai: Dr. A. T. Kember.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Varso*, from Marseilles, November 13th.—To Yokohama: Mr. Thomas, Mr. Fukuda, Mr. R. Duffield, To Shanghai: Mr. Courvoisier, Mr. Stelzer, Mr. Tchang, Mr. Wong, Mr. Yane, To Hongkong: Mr. R. H. R. Butler, Mr. C. Platt.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Natal* from Marseilles, Nov. 25th.—To Yokohama: Mrs. Bayne.

Per Glen Line steamer *Glenashiel*, from London, October 20th.—To Shanghai: Rev. and Mrs. Owen, Rev. and Mrs. Caxton and infant. To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Duggan, Mr. Duggan, Junr., Master Herbert Duggan, Miss Isabella, Miss Sidler, Miss Stewart, Rev. W. J. Morris, Rev. H. Stevens, Mrs. Faham and infant.

Per Canadian Pacific steamer *Empress of China*, from Vancouver, Dec. 10.—To Hongkong: Mr. Louis Adler, Mr. T. D. Rust, Mr. R. H. M. Rust.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The following telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges were "crowded out" of last night's issue:

PARIS, October 31st.
Heavy rainstorms during the last few days have caused floods in the north of France. In the departments of Pas de Calais and Nord thousands of acres are under water. Many villages have been rendered uninhabitable and hundreds of peasants have been driven from their farms. In the neighbourhood of Lille, Tourcoing and Armentiers the water is three feet deep. The factories in Roubaix and other industrial towns have been stopped by flooding. Their looms are idle and nearly 100,000 operatives are out of work.

Many miles of railway tracks have been undermined or submerged, and trains are run only with great irregularity. In the valley of the Meuse hundreds of cattle have been killed and bridges and barns near the banks have been washed away. Accidents have been reported from all parts of the flooded districts.

The *Gaulois* prints a story with reservations, alleging that Signor Crisp, having become burdened with political and financial troubles, is preparing to make a desperate *coup*, the occasion being favourable owing to the general feeling of unrest in regard to Madagascar, Morocco, China and the condition of the Czar. In presence of this policy, according to the *Gaulois*, Premier Crisp has made arrangements whereby England will furnish Italy with facilities for the transportation of arms, coal, provisions, etc., intending to make a descent upon Tripoli, expeditions to start simultaneously from Syracuse and Taranto.

NEW YORK, October 31st.
A special dispatch from London says: "Lord Rosebery this afternoon received the freedom of the city of Bristol, where he afterward unveiled a statue of Edmund Burke.

In speaking of Burke the Prime Minister attributed his greatness of character to the fact that he loved reform and hated revolution. Politicians, he said, would derive good consolation from studying his life.

BERLIN, October 31st.
An order has been issued by the Government to establish an Agricultural Bureau in connection with the German Embassies in London, Washington, Paris, Vienna and St. Petersburg. The step is looked upon as an evidence that a stricter protective agrarian policy is to be pursued.

It is reported here that a German syndicate will shortly place a Chinese gold loan in Berlin and London.

ATHENS, October 31st.
An official examination shows that the Parthenon was seriously damaged by the earthquakes that occurred last spring. The structure is reported to be in a dangerous condition, and measures to restore it will be taken at once.

BERLIN, November 1st.
The *Kreuz Zeitung* (Ultra-Conservative) says that at the next session of the Reichstag the Conservatives intend to urge a reform in sugar taxation.

ROME, November 2nd.
The Pope has decided to refuse Emmi Zisa, the French author, an audience under any conditions.

VANCOUVER (B.C.), November 2nd.
Lord Abercromby visited the public school, hospital and the steamer *Empress of Japan* today. To-morrow the party will leave for Victoria.

LONDON, November 3rd.
London has by no means seen the end of the critical party-splitting matter. This week it has gone into the litigation stage and there is no knowing what this will lead to. The managers of the Empire Music Hall allege that they are victims of a illegal conspiracy in which the members of the County Council, which is the No. 1 music hall, were associated with the party-crossers. The Jungs, at an ex parte hearing, used a meadow's summonsing the members of the County Council to show cause why they should not be compelled to repeat their action. Meantime the Empress remains closed.

The Albion, a rival house on the other side of the square, has been thronged nightly this week by not only its usual frequenter of the demimonde, but by their evicted slaves from the Empress. The other licensed resorts also profit by the display of spite into which the Council was betrayed by the angry opposition to the decision of their licensing committee.

Henry Irving writes an energetic protest against the gratification of the County Council's ambition to extend its jurisdiction to theatres in addition to music halls. He says: "I hold that there is no possible reason that the Council should have such power, for discipline has been excellent under the Lord Chamberlain's control, and the managers of theatres, as distinguished from other places of amusement, have in this respect been always well in advance of any requirements which could be made upon them. It was David Garrick who abolished the footman's free gallery, which had, through its brawling, become a nuisance. It was Macready who did away with the promenade at the Drury Lane Theatre long before any public comment had been made upon the scandal of it."

According to reports published to-day the affairs of the Irish parties grow worse and the prospects of the passage of any Home Rule measures are very slim indeed. Timothy Healy is said to have definitely cut loose from Messrs. McCarthy and Dillon, and it is added that he will carry with him at the outset about as many men as the Nationalists reckon in their ranks.

This, the Healyites claim, will be only a nucleus of the membership their party will eventually have. The fog of war will come at the general election. The Healyites will have a newspaper and the bulk of the money provided.

J. V. Mack of the *Wall Street Gazette* predicts that the Irish farmers, who have been the backbone of the Nationalist movement, will become Tories, as they are gradually getting what they want in regard to land, and the increased traffic upon the Irish railroads shows that they are prospering.

A correspondent had an interview to-day with Volkonsky, the Nihilist leader, who agreed with the statements made by Stepanov yesterday evening. Volkonsky said: "I do not regard the personality of the Czar as of great importance at the present moment. I am convinced that the up-heaval of political spirits in Russia is such that no Czar will be able to stop coming events. If the Czar wants to show a new policy the first thing he has to do is to grant

amnesty to the political prisoners now in Siberia and elsewhere. The present form of opposition in Russia is essentially drawn from that which prevailed in the second half of the reign of Alexei d. ill. Today all parties are revolutionary, including the extremists. They have one common conviction—Russia must have a representative Government.

"I expect that some Government officials and officers of high rank who are among the revolutionaries will use their personal influence with the young Czar and show him that if he wants to enjoy immunity from attacks and go through the streets like Qe Victoria he has only to become a constitutional monarch. Why should the new Czar die of worry like his father?"

CORSA, November 3rd.

The issue of a manifesto by the party of the people's rights has led to numerous arrests, lists of the persons to whom copies were addressed through the post having been handed to the police. Nearly all the university students at Odessa, Kiev, Moscow and St. Petersburg are now under police observation. Large numbers of copies of the manifesto are being circulated secretly. From what can be learned from many different quarters the moderate and reasonable spirit of the document is producing a grave impression.

MILAN, November 3rd.

The *Scalo* publishes to-day a letter from Prince Alfons, a Royalist Nihilist now in Lugano. He says that he learns from Nihilist sources, which are above suspicion, as regards trustworthiness, that the Czar was present with a small force of phosphorus at Altona. The *Ludica* Recreational Club for years past, and which reached a climax when the prince left, had altogether signified appeal for charity was made on their behalf at the Leg. Latvian Council meeting last Wednesday. Here is what our London contemporary says on the vexed question:

"Given at Ludica this 21st day of October (old style), in the first year of our reign."

"NICHOLAS."

It is said now that Princess Alix will not leave Russia after the funeral. She will go to Moscow on a visit to her sister, the Grand Duchess Sergius.

KIEV, November 3rd.

Enck's Comet is on its return. It was

found by Professor Corulli at Termae. The comet is very faint.

LONDON, November 4th.

The American line steamer *Berlin*, which arrived at Southampton to-day from New York, reports that she experienced the worst weather since 1879 on her last passage.

During five days the weather was especially bad. Tremendous seas swept her decks and the passengers were locked below part of the time. During the height of the storm the third officer, Bromley, was washed overboard and drowned. Two of the crew were dashed against the bulwarks and injured. The vessel sustained little damage.

November 5th.

A dispatch to the *Chronicle* from Vienna says the Russian nihilist Prince Peter Altoni, residing at Lugau, says that the Czar was gradually poisoned with small doses of phosphorus administered to him by Nihilists since March 1st until his disease was established. Those who manage to spic the Emperor's dishes are safe now. He added that the whole Romanoff dynasty is doomed to a similar fate.

THE MINISTERIAL AUDIENCE IN PEKING.

THE SON OF HEAVEN IN EVIDENCE.

The following interesting account of the recent audience granted to the Foreign Ministers by the Emperor of China by the Police is from the pen of the Peking correspondent of our Shanghai morning newspaper:

The Foreign Representatives had their audience in the palace. It took place on the forenoon of the 1st in the Wan-hu-sien. The presents were sent in on the previous day. The women's ha-dzi were Biblio-szins. Every thing passed off nicely. The Chieh say the foreigners knew and that one of the suite, a little man, trembled all over when he saw the Dragon's countenance. The same was said of Sir Thomas W. de la Poer. He was simply notified that the Chinese had given him a special audience, without endangering their positions by their votes; complete control in the Council over local conditions; the management of local affairs; and a conservative voice in questions of an Imperial character.

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"Under official instructions, 'Yes.'"

Both colonies are in progress made by their positions and the trade they have directly

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1894.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—10 per cent., premium, sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £800.
London—£21, sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares—£5, buyers.
CHEMIST'S LOAN.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 £—11 per cent. premium.
MARINE INSURANCES.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$127 per share, buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$60 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 185 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$143 per share, sellers.
Yatong Insurance Association—\$77, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.
The Shells Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$161 per share, buyers.
FIRE INSURANCES.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$175 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$72 per share, sellers.
The State Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., \$7 per share, buyers.
SHIPPING.
Honolulu, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$24 per share, buyers.
China and Manilla Steam Ship Company—\$66, buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$39, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$49 sellers.
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$6 per share, nominal.
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$4 per share, nominal.
REFINERIES.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$142 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$48, sellers.
MINING.
Panama Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$5 per share, buyers.
Panama Mining Co.—(Preference)—\$1.50 per share, sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$4.90 per share, sellers.
The New Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, buyers.
Sociedad Espanola de Charronageo de Tonkin—\$2 per share, buyers.
The Jelbo Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$4.50, buyers.
DRUGS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.
Honolulu and Wharfage Dock Company—78 per cent. premium, buyers.
Geo. French & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$36 per share, sellers.
Wanchai Warehouse Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, sellers.
HOTELS.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$9 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$20.
The Shamian Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.
LANDS AND BUILDING.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$23 sellers.
The West Point Building Co., Limited—\$18 per share, sellers.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$14 per share, sellers.
DISPENSARIES.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$9.75, buyers.
Dakin, Christie & Co., Limited—\$1 per share, buyers.
MISCELLANEOUS.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$11 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$15 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$76 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$475, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$4, buyers.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$70, buyers.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.—\$2 per share.
EXCHANGE.
ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/08
Bank Bills, on demand 2/08
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/08
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/08
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/08
ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 2.55
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.51
ON INDIA—
T. T. 1864
On Demand 187
ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 73
Private, 30 days' sight 74
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate). 80.52
Silver (per oz.) 284

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

SIAM, British steamer, 662, J. F. Messer, 3rd December.—Moj 28th November, Coal—Bradley & Co.
SIAM, British steamer, 1,584, G. K. Wright, 3rd November.—Bombay, and Singapore 28th Nov., Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
RAVENNA, British steamer, 1,916, Francis Cole, 4th Dec.—Shanghai 1st Dec., Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
NAMOA, British steamer, 863, H. C. A. Harris, 4th December.—Poohoo 30th Nov., Ayey 1st Dec., and Swatow 2nd, General—D. Lapraik & Co.
LIPPO, German steamer, 1,339, A. Windsor, 4th Dec.—Canton 4th December, General—Carlowis & Co.
LOKSANG, British steamer, 978, N. Moncur, 4th December.—Canton 4th Dec., General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, J. A. Morris, 4th Dec.—Bangkok, and Ang-hin 20th Nov., Rice—Yuen Fat Pak.
CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Glenroy, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
Fushun, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Canton, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Formosa, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

DEPARTURES.

December 3, Holbow, British str., for Canton.
December 3, Foochow, British str., for Canton.
December 4, Freier, Danish str., for Holbow, &c.
December 4, Velocity, British barque, for Hongkong.
December 4, Amigo, German str., for Bangkok.
December 4, Tjales, British str., for Swatow.
December 4, Fushun, British str., for Shanghai.
December 4, Yenszang, British steamer, for Amoy and Manila.
December 4, Glengyle, British steamer, for Singapore and London.
December 4, Canton, British str., for Shanghai.
December 4, Cheung Hys Teng, British steamer, for Amoy.
PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Siam*, from London for Hongkong—Miss Forsyth, Miss F. Parkes, Surgeon G. T. Bishop, and Ruck, From Gibraltar—Mr. J. D. Navarro.
From Colombia—Lieut. T. D. Campbell and native servant, and Mr. Chang Gow, From Penang—Mr. Lew Ee Choo and servant, From Singapore—Mr. Lee Ee Choo and servant, From London—Dr. and Mrs. Macleod and 2 children, Miss Macleod, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, Misses W. Shimmo, R. Norman, Barnett, Pownall, Lang, Bruce, Rhodes, and Miss Stuart, From Singapore—Messrs. van Spilz and H. Mars, From London for Manila—Mr. H. Barrett, From Brindisi—Mr. F. E. Cony, From London for Kobe—Rev. G. C. Niven, From Singapore—Miss S. Nakamaki, Messrs. T. Kusai, M. Kalgams, and S. Sasamoto, From London for Yokohama—Messrs. Brower and F. D. Bullock, From Singapore—Baron de Wolff.
Per *Phra Chula Chom Kla*, from Bangkok, &c.—30 Chinese.

Per *Nomos*, from Foochow, &c.—102 Chinese.

Per *Ravena*, from Shanghai for Hongkong—Messrs. Tang Hon Son and native servant, and Wang Chuen and native servant, and 6 Chinese.

For Penang—Mr. Kun Lun Pou, For Port Said—Mr. A. D. Lowe, For Brindisi—Mr. R. W. Pitt, Rev. G. C. Niven, From Singapore—Mr. Lee Ee Choo and servant, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Yuen Fat Pak*, from London for Manila—Mr. H. Barrett, From Singapore—Mr. Lee Ee Choo and servant, and 6 Chinese.

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